



## FACT SHEET U.S. Air Force Reserve

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### Brass Quintet

The U.S. Air Force Reserve Brass Quintet is one of the most versatile components of the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve. With a repertoire spanning five centuries, they are equally at home performing everything from Renaissance and Baroque all the way to ragtime, Dixieland, jazz, marches and patriotic selections. The group is also dedicated to the performance of contemporary compositions, recently performing the U.S. premiere of "Fairy Tale Suite" by Russian composer Oleg Oblov.

The quintet is a mainstay of the "Hay House in Music" chamber music series in Macon, GA, and performs community relation concerts for audiences throughout the southeastern United States. All of the group's members are dedicated to music education, sharing their enthusiasm and expertise in lively and varied programs presented to young audiences in middle Georgia.

All five members of the Brass Quintet are members of the Concert Band, the largest component of the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve. The leader, playing trombone, is Staff Sergeant Steve Fitts from Lansing, Michigan. The group also includes Staff Sergeant Joseph Grasso from Newtown, Connecticut, on trumpet; Airman First Class Jeff Reich from Tempe, Arizona, on trumpet; Staff Sergeant Tom Hanrahan from Salt Lake City, Utah, on horn; and Airman First Class Michael Andrew from Sterling Heights, MI, performing on tuba.

The members of the Brass Quintet are all professional Air Force musicians working in support of Air Force and Air Force Reserve recruiting and community relations objectives.